

# PORTHBEER COVE

It is a sheltered sandy cove that nestles next to Chynhalls Point a short distance south of Coverack; it is within the Lizard Section of the Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.



The view towards Black head at low water



**TR12 6SX** - The closest parking is a small car park in [Coverack](#) at Dolor Point (20 cars approx) at the end of the B3294. Alternatively there is a limited amount of roadside parking in the village. At the side of the Paris Hotel at Dolor Point follow the Coast Path to Chynhalls Point; just beyond the Point a short path leads down to the beach. The walk is about 1.5kms and is fairly easy with some seats next to the path to stop and admire the view.



At high water there is usually little or no sand but usually in summer a stretch of fine white sand is uncovered. After a period of storms the Cove can look very different as it becomes stony with boulders and



Steps down to the beach



Stony beach above high water

is far less appealing. The rocks and boulders are predominantly of the colourful and unusual serpentine which is so characteristic of this part of the Lizard.



There is no rescue/safety equipment. According to local sources it is relatively safe for swimming when the conditions are favourable although it is recommended to swim/bathe on an incoming tide. It is not a surfing beach. Body-boarding is not recommended because of hidden rocks.



There is some excellent snorkelling either side of the beach especially towards Black Head. At low water there are countless rock pools to explore.



Dogs are allowed all year.



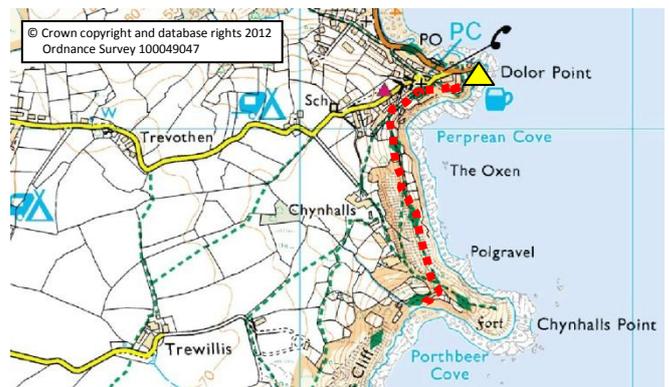
There are no facilities. The nearest toilets are opposite the slipway in Coverack. There are also a number of cafes/restaurants in the village together with a pub.



Chynhalls Point



Sand in summer



Location – Part of Explorer Map 103



In recent years the water quality has been excellent in the vicinity of Coverack. There can be amounts of water borne litter above high water but this should not detract from this delightful south facing beach, especially if walking the Coast Path. It is a fine walk along the Coast Path to [Downas Cove](#).